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MARGINAL COLUMN
By GEORGE LEONOF

DESPITE the strained optimism of the Anglo-American "Good Offices" team, little short of a major, and highly improbable, step-down by either Paris or Tunis is likely to extract the mediators from the complicated mesh of difference that has accumulated between France and her former protectorate since the latter achieved its independence. Yesterday's statement by a British Foreign Office spokesman that the mediators are "still pursuing" their efforts appears to have been no more than a formal redefinition of status: the Good Offices mission continues to exist as long as both sides in the dispute recognize its existence; and so long as it exists, it may of course be expected to pursue its efforts.

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OTHERWISE it is obvious that Mr. Robert Murphy, of the U.S., and his British partner, Mr. Harold Beeley, have been unable to find a basis for a settlement of the dispute which arose following the bombing of the border village of Sakiet Sidi Yussef by French warplanes on February 8. To that extent the mission has failed. It would be untrue, however, to say that it has achieved nothing. In the month-and-a-half that the envoys have shuffled back and forth between Paris and Tunis, with occasional visits to London, the tension between France and Tunisia has relaxed considerably. In mid-February, French troops in Tunisia were confined to barracks, blockaded by angry groups of armed civilians, and civilians were being deported from the country, and in Paris, statesmen and military men were muttering threats of retaliation. Today there is no longer any talk on either side of seeking a settlement through other than diplomatic channels.

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UNTIL the final report of the Good Offices mission is made public, it cannot be clear precisely on which point in their negotiations they were stymied, or indeed if there was more than one such issue. Both sides appear to have compromised to a degree since mediation started. At the outset the Tunisians would accept nothing less than total evacuation of the 15,000 French troops in the country and full control of the major French naval base at Bizerta. President Bourguiba has since indicated agreement to the concentration of all French troops at Bizerta, with the final fate of the base to be decided at a later date. The French, on their side, are reported willing to consider some modification of their treaty rights, including neutral control of airfields in other parts of the country. Whether final agreement on any of these points could have been reached was made irrelevant by total disagreement over the question of the Algerian-Tunisian border.

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FRANCE is demanding joint, or perhaps neutral, control of the frontier to ensure that Tunisian territory is not used as a refuge or an arms supply centre by Algerian insurgents. President Bourguiba maintains that acceptance of any such border control would be tantamount to Tunisia's recognition of the French position in Algeria and a retreat from Tunisia's demand for Algerian independence.

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THE Good Offices mission has probably achieved as much as was genuinely expected of it. Neither France nor Tunisia were particularly enthusiastic over the prospect of Anglo-American mediation. The French have never concealed their refusal to discuss the Algerian aspect of the situation, which is nevertheless at the root of their dispute with Tunisia. The Tunisians, on their side, recognized that both the U.S. and Britain, with their tight Nato and other commitments, could only go part of the way in their mediation efforts, and accepted the Good Offices mainly because, in line with President Bourguiba's pro-Western policy, there seemed to be no tactful way of declining them. The dispute now appears likely to go before the United Nations, where Tunisia can expect outright support of at least the Afro-Asian and Soviet blocs, and where it will no doubt quickly revert to the familiar pattern of the "Algerian problem."

Jerusalem, April 9.

Egypt Bars Entry To Sudan Official

KHARTOUM, Tuesday (UP). — Egypt yesterday refused entrance at Aswan to a senior Sudan official and the incident has been taken as a studied insult by the Khartoum authorities, it was learned today.

Abdel Samie Ghandour, commissioner in charge of the Wadi Halfa enclave on the Egyptian-Sudan border, was not permitted to land at Aswan from a Nile steamer. No reason was given for the refusal but it is believed it was because he was in charge of the Wadi Halfa district during the border crisis with Egypt last February.

Moscow, Bonn Sign Accord To Double Trade

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuter). — Russia and West Germany today initialled long-term trade and consular agreements after 10 months of negotiations.

The repatriation issue, over which the talks have repeatedly broken down since they began last July, was not included in the agreement. But it was announced that the two sides had "exchanged explanations" on this issue.

The trade agreement foresees an increase in mutual trade to 3,150m. marks over the next three years. This is about double the 1957 level.

The repatriation issue has been the main stumbling block to the success of the talks. The Soviet Union claimed that no repatriation problem existed, but the West Germans submitted a list of individual Germans who they said wanted to be repatriated.

A communique issued after the initialling ceremony said the Soviet side had agreed to examine in good faith individual applications of German nationals for repatriation to Germany. In the same way, the German authorities will consider the applications of the Soviet nationals who are at present in Germany and who wish to leave for the Soviet Union.

The communique said Germany would sell machinery and machine tool equipment, iron and steel road materials, cables, chemical production and other goods, while the Soviet deliveries would include petroleum products, coal, asbestos, manganese and chrome ores, ferrous metals, machines and equipment.

Major Strike Looms in Ruhr

DUSSELDORF, Tuesday (Reuter).—The Metal Workers Union strike committee announced today at Bochum that it would call out 65,000 men in eight Ruhr steel plants tomorrow and 119,000 others in two successive stages.

But last-minute talks to avert the strike over a wage claim began today and were continuing tonight.

The mediator, Heinrich Viembath, Labour Minister of the state of North Rhine Westphalia, told a reporter there was still a possibility of an acceptable compromise.

A strike of more than a day or two in the giant Ruhr Iron and steel industry would be West Germany's biggest industrial upheaval since the war.

Ramallah Exposes Nasser Double-Talk

The Jordan Palace spokesman, commenting yesterday on Abdul Nasser's radio and television interview on Sunday broadcast by the U.S. Columbia Broadcasting System, said that a considerably different version was put out by Cairo and Damascus Radios, apparently intended for home consumption.

The spokesman, quoted by Ramallah Radio, said that Nasser was lying when he spoke in the interview of "differences of opinion between Arab leaders." The present dispute in the Arab world had passed the stage of being confined to rulers and was much more basic, affecting the very roots of Arab aspirations, aims and methods.

The spokesman retraced Egypt's attempt to "stab Jordan in the back" to 1948 when, he alleged, Egypt confiscated in the Suez Canal a ship carrying arms and ammunition for the Jordan army fighting in Palestine.

Ever since, Abdul Nasser, "who, in the Columbia interview, tried to appear like an innocent lamb seeking only his own defence, has developed into the wolf, the aggressor who sends his criminal agents all over the Arab world on sabotage missions against the existing regimes."

IRAQ EXPELS SYRIAN EMBASSY ATTACHE

Iraq has expelled an attache at the Syrian Embassy in Baghdad, Ahmed Safiya, for carrying out activities regarded as undesirable and harmful to the Iraqi state, A.N.A. reported yesterday.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The Tunisian Government said in a communique last night that a patrol of the Tunisian army on duty near the Algerian border was fired upon on Monday by French forces on the Algerian side of the border.

TNUVA CREAM
TASTY AND NOURISHING

Ike Asks Russia For 'Peaceful' Fission

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — President Eisenhower today called on the Soviet Prime Minister, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, to accept the U.S. proposal that "fissionable materials henceforth be manufactured only for peaceful purposes."

The President made his plea in a letter to Mr. Khrushchev delivered in Moscow today. It was a reply to the communication received from the Soviet Premier on April 4, informing the U.S. Government of the Soviet decision to suspend nuclear testing and calling on America to make a similar declaration.

The Presidential press secretary, Mr. James Hagerty, said Mr. Eisenhower's reply had been cleared with the other partners in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

The President said: "If the Soviet Union is as peace-loving as it professes to be, surely it would want to bring about an internationally supervised diversion of fissionable material from weapons purposes to peace purposes."

Other Suggestions

He added that if the Soviet Union was unwilling to accept "atoms for peace," there were other proposals outstanding by which she could advance the cause of peace. He recalled his "open skies" plan of mutual inspection and his proposals for the peaceful use of outer space. "These proposals await Soviet acceptance," the President said.

Mr. Eisenhower's letter did not make any direct reference to the Soviet Prime Minister's nuclear ban call but said: "It seems irregular that the Soviet Union, having just concluded a series of tests of unprecedented intensity, should now in cold headlines say that it may test again if the U.S. carried out its already long-announced and now imminent series of tests.

"The timing, wording and manner of the Soviet declaration cannot but raise questions as to its real significance."

The President declared that the heart of the nuclear problem was not the mere testing of weapons, but the weapons themselves. The U.S., he added, sought to develop the defensive rather than the offensive capabilities of nuclear power and to learn how to minimize the fissionable fallout.

Dulles Says More H-Tests Likely

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter).—Secretary of State Dulles said today there was a likelihood that further American nuclear testing would be needed after the forthcoming series is completed in the Pacific this summer.

He told his press conference it was hoped the Pacific tests would provide enough information so the U.S. could suspend tests. But on the basis of what he had already learned, he said, there was a likelihood that there would be a need for further testing in some of the area which probably would not be fully explored this summer.

Mr. Dulles said that that was the difference between hope and expectation. He said the U.S. would be happily surprised if it obtained all the information it needed from the tests, but he did think it would get most of it.

Heart of the Letter

He said that the heart of the letter which President Eisenhower sent to Mr. Khrushchev today on the question of nuclear testing was in the proposal made by the President that the Soviet Union should begin at least some of the technical studies concerning supervision and control of armaments or inspection against surprise attack.

In that connection, he said that a study group under the chairmanship of Dr. James A. Killian, President Eisenhower's special scientific and technical assistant, had now presented a report on what would be necessary for a dependable agreement on, say, the suspension of testing. The U.S. thought that a very considerable measure of inspection would be necessary, but they did not know whether the Soviet Union was thinking along that line. That was why it would be useful to get technical studies started.

DAG WELCOMES SOVIET OFFER

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (Reuter).— Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold said today that he welcomed the Soviet decision to suspend the testing of nuclear weapons.

He told a press conference following his return from talks in Moscow, London and Geneva that his conviction had been confirmed that "both sides" were anxious to get results in the disarmament problem.

On the question of keeping the problem within the scope of the U.N., he declared: "I do not see any reason why we should think that disarmament will not be kept on U.N. rails. That does not exclude either plans of operations within the U.N. or operations in support of that either in the form of a summit meeting or diplomatic contacts such as those suggested in the tripartite note."

Asked whether he considered that the Soviet decision was a constructive step towards disarmament, Mr. Hammarskjold replied: "I would say it is a step I would welcome." Questioned further whether his reply implied that he would also welcome a similar step by other countries, he answered: "I would frame my reply in this way. I am all for a cessation of tests, all for a proper inspection system, and all for a stoppage of production."

U.S. Jobless Total Shows Slight Rise

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — Government officials said today unemployment rose 25,000 in March to its highest point in sixteen and a half years — 5,198,000. But the increase was the smallest since the current recession began last autumn.

It was down considerably from the 700,000 jump in February and the one million-plus rise in January.

This sharp decline in the jobless increase plus a pickup in spring outdoor work, led to the first increase since last October in the total number of Americans working. Employment officials said, rose by about 300,000 last month to approximately 62,288,000. The figure for October was 66 million. In July, just before the recession began, it was a record 67,200,000.

Israel to Tell Russia It's Up to Nuclear Powers

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Government's reply to the Russian request for support in its campaign to stop nuclear tests is likely to be based on two points.

These are that Israel in principle favours the suspension of tests, but feels that it is up to those who have nuclear weapons to determine the practical steps to implement the suspension.

The request for Israel's backing was contained in a message to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion from Prime Minister Khrushchev, which was handed over on Monday by the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. M. F. Bodrov.

The text of the message closely follows the lines of the address made by Foreign Minister Gromyko before the Supreme Soviet last week. In his speech Mr. Gromyko announced that the Soviet Union was renouncing nuclear weapon tests, and challenged the Western Powers to follow suit. Later, Mr. Khrushchev announced that the Russians would accept international control.

Tunisia Mediators 'Still Trying'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). —The Anglo-U.S. "good offices" mission in the Franco-Tunisian dispute is "still pursuing efforts" towards a settlement, the British Foreign Office spokesman said today.

Asked at his daily press conference if it was true that the "good offices" mission had come "practically to a standstill," the spokesman said, "No, I would not say that. We are still pursuing our efforts."

But informed opinion in Paris said the mission would end its work tomorrow without achieving its objective.

Britain and the U.S. offered their good offices in the dispute which flared up early in February following the French bombing of the Tunisian border village of Sakiet. Since then, Mr. Harold Beeley of the Foreign Office, and Mr. Robert Murphy of the U.S. State Department, have been exercising their governments' "good offices."

Pact with Burma On Defence Supplies

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — An agreement for cooperation in the field of supplies between the Israel and Burmese Ministries of Defence was initialled yesterday by U Maung Maung, Secretary-General of the Burmese Ministry of Defence, and the Israel Ministry of Defence, according to *Itim*.

U Maung Maung, his deputy, Captain B.O. Barber, and Brigadier Tin Pe, left today by T.W.A. after a weeks stay as guests of the Ministry of Defence.

The other two members of the delegation are to remain for another month.

Kamsitz held by the Ministry of Defence in the Tel Aviv Kirya garden on Sunday night in honour of the Burmese Defence Ministry delegation was attended, among others, by U Maung Maung, Secretary-General of the Ministry (right), his deputy, Captain B. O. Barber (left) and Mr. Shimon Peres, Director General of the Israel Defence Ministry.

Jakarta Denies Soviet Arms Deal But MIGs Said on Way

JAKARTA, Tuesday. — The Indonesian Foreign Office insisted again today that no arms deal had been completed with the Communist bloc, but other well-informed sources said the Government had negotiated a $250 million purchase and that arms will start arriving in Indonesia in the middle of next month.

The deal, according to these sources, includes MIG jet fighter-planes, small ships to combat arms-smuggling to the rebels, and small arms, but no tanks.

The arms, it was reported, have been bought in Poland, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, but the sources added that the deal would be announced as coming from Egypt.

One of the big mysteries, it was pointed out, has been where the money is coming from. The Russians granted only a $1m. loan publicly and well-informed sources, referring to the $250m. said that the Indonesian Government "has not got that kind of money."

Asked America

(In Washington, Secretary of State Dulles told his press conference today that the Indonesian Government last July had asked to buy $600-m.—$700m. worth of arms from the U.S. But America had decided that there did not seem to be any likelihood of any threat of aggression against Indonesia which would require any such quantity of arms. Another request from Indonesia for arms had been made to the U.S. a few days ago but had not yet been acted upon.)

The Antara news agency reported in Jakarta today that China will provide Indonesia with credits for capital and consumer goods.

It said about 72m. yards of textiles were expected to arrive from China, which has also granted Indonesia credit for 20,000 tons of rice.

(Reuter, UP)

Attempt to Murder Sumatra Leader

SINGAPORE, Tuesday (UP). — An unknown assailant hurled a hand grenade into Revolutionary Government headquarters near the Indonesian rebel capital of Bukittinggi last night and narrowly missed killing rebel Defence Minister Burhanaudin Harahap, it was disclosed today.

The grenade wounded four policemen, one of them seriously, and shattered windows throughout the building. It was tossed from a moving car and landed in Harahap's office.

Premier Sjafruddin Prawiranegara and Foreign Minister Col. Simbolon were out of the building at the time.

Russia Warns Magyars 'No More Uprisings'

TATABANYA, Central Hungary, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Soviet Premier, Mr. Khrushchev, said today that if the enemies of the working class or provocateurs tried to instigate a putsch or a counter-revolution in any of the socialist countries they would be given a well-deserved answer.

Mr. Khrushchev was addressing about 40,000 miners and workers at this town, about 60 kilometres west of Budapest. During the October, 1956, rising, mines in Tatabanya were flooded, strikes were widespread and there was some fighting, according to reports at the time.

Mr. Khrushchev told the crowd, who listened to him almost in silence despite loud applause from the official tribune: "I can tell you with certainty that the counter-revolution will never be repeated in Hungary..."

At Cagle, yesterday, he spoke of "painful nights and days" before Russia decided to intervene in the 1956 rising.

Soraya Vacates Throne, Prepares For U.S. Trip

COLOGNE, Tuesday (UP). — Queen Soraya gave up the throne of Persia today and immediately announced she will visit the U.S. next month — shortly before her former husband, the Shah, is scheduled to arrive.

She vacated her throne by the simple act of accepting the long-delayed divorce decree which the Shah sent her by royal courier.

At the same time it was announced that Soraya will sail to America next week aboard the liner s.s. Constitution. The Shah himself is due in America during May.

Persia's Justice Minister Mohammed Ali Hedayati and Brigadier General Nematollah Nassiri flew here from Teheran over the weekend with the divorce decree and other papers which the reluctant Shah finally forced himself to sign nearly a month after announcing his seven-year-old marriage to Soraya was at an end.

The ex-queen now becomes Her Highness, Princess Soraya Esfandiari.

First World Conference of Bessarabian Jews

The First World Conference of Bessarabian Jews will take place at the Heichal Hatarbut, Tel Aviv, on Monday, July 14, 1958.

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Bulldozers Resume Hula Work; 5 Metre Canal Diversion Agreed

Meir Sees Von Horn On Lachish Murder Raids

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, yesterday afternoon received the Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organisation, General Carl von Horn, at her own request, to discuss the situation on the Israel-Jordan border, particularly in the Lachish area. Three Israelis have been killed in this area in the past fortnight.

Mrs. Meir is believed to have conveyed Israel's view that a murder gang has been operating along the southern reaches of the border since October, 1956, and that most of the incidents in this area in the past 18 months should be ascribed to it.

Jordan Can Stop Them

While it is quite possible that this gang does not operate with the active assistance of the Jordan Government, it is felt that if Jordan is anxious for peaceful relations steps should be taken to prevent members of the gang — "or indeed anyone" — from infiltrating, Mrs Meir observed later at a press meeting for local newspapermen.

General von Horn has been asked to transmit this view to the Jordan Government, and to use his influence to see that there is no recurrence of violence.

Dag Did Not Discuss Hula With Fawzi

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (INA). — Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold today again denied — as his spokesman did last week — that his recent meeting in Geneva with U.A.R. Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi had anything to do with the Hula dispute.

Mr. Hammarskjold told a press conference here: "There was no special emergency and neither the Hula matter nor anything else of the kind was responsible for my meeting with Mr. Fawzi. You must remember that the U.N. has a special relationship with Egypt inasmuch as it is host to one of our special functions." This was understood to be a reference to UNEF.

U.N. Chief Urges Tranquility

Jerusalem Post Staff

Bulldozers and excavators moved into the Hula lake-bed area yesterday afternoon to continue canal-digging operations obstructed last week by Syrian small arms and artillery fire.

This followed acceptance by Israel and Syria of the findings of Major General Carl von Horn, Chief of Staff of the U.N.T.S.O., based on the U.N. survey of the region carried out on April 1 and 2.

In accordance with the results of the survey, Israel has agreed to reroute five metres westwards a 75-metre stretch of drainage canal which has already been dug.

This was requested by U.N. observers on the grounds that a portion of the canal encroached on certain Arab property rights in the Demilitarized Zone.

Apart from the rerouting operation, only about another 200 metres of canal remain to be dug and this is expected to take about four or five days.

U.N. observers were on the job at 7 yesterday morning completing their survey of the new course of the canal. They were accompanied by Rav Seren S. Tefner of the Israel-Syrian MAC, and by a representative of the Jewish National Fund, which is carrying out the Hula drainage work.

The surveying was completed shortly after 2 p.m., when the Israel workmen on the spot prepared to resume operations.

Two bulldozers and two excavators, accompanied by an armoured car and a U.N.T.S.O. jeep, continued work until nightfall. Work was due to continue this morning.

There were no signs of Syrian activity across the border.

In a letter sent to the Israel and the U.A.R. governments last Saturday and released in Jerusalem and in New York last night, General von Horn stated, inter alia, that the U.N. survey found that in connection with the ditch which Israel began to dig on March 24 there were certain encroachments on land in which Arabs had property rights in the Demilitarised Zone.

"Such encroachments," General von Horn stated, "should be corrected according to the U.N. surveyors' findings. After they have been corrected, the ditch may be completed, provided no further encroachments upon parcel 1 of block 12365, take place. U.N. observers will be available for such checking as may be necessary."

General von Horn concluded by expressing his "firm hope that the two parties to the General Armistice Agreement will accept the above findings, inform their nationals and see to it that no further incident troubles tranquillity in the area."

At a Press conference in Jerusalem, yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Meir reported that work on the drainage canal south of the Hula was due to have been resumed about the time the meeting had started.

"General von Horn has just assured me that, to the best of his knowledge, the Syrians do not intend to resume interference with the work. The U.N. surveyors claim that in its present location the ditch infringes on Arab-owned lands. Without prejudice to any ultimate settlement of this question as a matter of principle, we have agreed to have the ditch shifted five metres along 75 metres of its length, in order to avoid all dispute. This can be done without great difficulty. We believe our original measurements were correct though there may have been errors of a couple of metres in either direction, but we undertook to abide by the U.N.'s findings.

A curious point which the Foreign Minister noted was that botanists have now joined the surveyors in the task of defining where the edge of the lake originally ran. By examining the present vegetation it may be possible to say for certain whether a particular area was covered by water last year or not.

She said she expected that all work in the area would be finished in a few more days.

Diplomats to Attend Asor Parade Uninvited

Formal invitations will not be sent to diplomatic missions in Israel to attend the military parade and festivities in Jerusalem on the occasion of Independence Day, it was learned yesterday.

Some missions have expressed their doubts about attending a function in Jerusalem in view of some continued challenges to the position of Jerusalem as Israel's capital. To avoid embarrassment, therefore, no invitations will be sent out, although it is believed that a large number of diplomats will be present.

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OIL FLOWS FROM BROR V

REHOVOT, Tuesday. — Oil flowed from the Bror V well at the end of the drill-stem test this afternoon. It is the third well in the area which has yielded oil.

The 4,950-feet hole was sunk in 38 days — a record time for Israel diggers.

LAIKA'S SPUTNIK TO FALL ON SATURDAY

CAMBRIDGE, Massachussetts, Wednesday (UP). — Scientists at Smithsonian Astro-Physical Observatory said today that Sputnik II, the dog-carrying Russian satellite, should fall to earth on Saturday afternoon or evening.

Six Arrested in Renewed Natorei Karta Demonstration

By MOSHE LEVIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Three of the six persons arrested in yesterday's Natorei Karta demonstration in Jerusalem are citizens of the U.S. They are Rabbi Zalman Reichman, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis in the U.S. and Canada; his son Raphael, who is a yeshiva student, and Avraham Gurewitz, also a yeshiva student. All three are from New York City.

As Rabbi Reichman was put into the police van he demanded permission to notify the U.S. Consul.

The police spokesman said last night that none of the Americans had made an official request at the station. It was believed that they would be released today.

Rabbi Reichman's son was taken in after allegedly being involved in a tussle. It took several constables to drag him to the van. On the way, his arms askew high above his head, he insisted that he was innocent of any wrongdoing. "Why are you taking me?" he sobbed.

His father followed without resistance a few minutes later, although he expressed indignation at his arrest.

The first American, Gurewitz, was taken in after a struggle, and was subdued only after he was pushed into the police wagon.

Many of the American tourists now in Jerusalem for Passover were in evidence with their cameras at the demonstration. One enthusiastic tourist kept filming the demonstration long after dark.

A red-and-white tourist bus stopped for a few moments at the corner of Rehov Meah Shearim and Rehov Straus where the demonstration took place so that the Americans inside, some of them eating ice cream, others busy filming, could watch the spectacle.

Translation Provided

For the benefit of the foreigners, one of the speakers at the Natorei Karta rally, which was called to protest against the construction of a bathing pool in the German Colony, spoke in English. He was identified as "Reb Aryeh."

One of the five rabbis who spoke, an American, saw in the swimming pool an "abomination which has not been equalled since the creation of the world."

The rally was held in the courtyard of the Warsaw Houses, off the junction of Rehov Meah Shearim and Rehov Straus. About 1,500 men and women congregated, but about one-third were on-lookers. The speakers harangued the crowd from the balcony of the Torat Chesed *yeshiva*.

Rabbi Pinhas Epstein, Natorei Karta's chief rabbi, began in a sing-song monotone. He was followed by the sun-

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Social & Personal

The President yesterday received General Carl von Horn, Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, who was accompanied by his political advisor, M. Henri Vigier.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday tendered a luncheon in honour of the Argentine Ambassador, Dr. G. Topolevsky, the Australian Minister, Mr. B. C. Ballard, and the Polish Minister and Mme. A. Bida. Present at the luncheon were the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir; and Messrs. Z. Shazar; A. Becker; M. Fischer; Y. Shimoni; S/A Y. Carmel and their ladies.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi also received Mr. and Mrs. J. Silver of the U.S. and Dr. N. Fiat of Acre.

Mrs. Ben-Zvi last night attended a Passover party organised by the Jerusalem Labour Council for new immigrants in Kiryat Yovel.

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The Minister of Posts, Dr. Joseph Burg, yesterday received a group of visitors from the United States and Canada, under the auspices of the Israel Bond Organization, who are here for the Tenth Anniversary celebrations.

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The Minister for Religious Affairs, Mr. Moshe Haim Shapiro, yesterday received Bishop Hans Lilje of Hanover.

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Mr. G. de Blasio, production manager for the filming of the M.G.M. film "Ben Hur," yesterday paid a courtesy call on the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, to thank him for the assistance of the Ministry in the filming of the Israel sequences of the film.

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Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim will broadcast his blessings on the occasion of the seventh day of Passover, tonight at 7.15.

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The Director General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Teddy Kollek, yesterday received on behalf of the Prime Minister, from Alex Schwarz, Chairman of the Israel Bond Drive Committee, Nanuet, New York, a scroll signed by the Jews of Rockland County, New York, pledging continued support and greetings on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary.

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Visitors to the Weizmann Institute yesterday included the American Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, who was accompanied by the Economic Attache, Mr. Frank H. Butler; and the party of consulting architects who are here in connection with the plans for the new Knesset building, Sir Howard Robertson, of London, and Mr. Max Abramowitz, of New York, who were accompanied by Mr. Moshe Rosetti, Clerk of the Knesset, and Mr. Shlomo Arazi, Assistant Accountant-General and Hon. Technical Adviser to Yad Chaim Weizmann. The visitors were the guests at luncheon of Mr. Meyer W. Weisgal, Chairman of the Institute's Executive Council. Others present included Dr. B.M. Bloch, Prof. Isaac Berenblum, Prof. Aharon Katzir, Prof. C. L. Pekeris, Mr. Julian L. Meltzer, Mr. Paul Oren, and Mr. J. L. Rycus.

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Mr. and Mrs. Abe S. Kay, who have contributed $250,000 towards the construction of a rest-home for invalids in Naharlya, were on Monday luncheon guests of Rav-Aluf Ya'acov Dori, President of the Technion. Among those present at the luncheon were the Mayor of Naharlya and senior Army officers.

Yesterday Mr. Shimon Peres, Director-General of the Ministry of Defence, gave a cocktail party for the Kays.

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Mrs. S. Gestetner and family, of London, visited the Hebrew University yesterday.

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Mr. Hugo Dalsheimer, U.J.A. leader of Baltimore, U.S.A., and Mrs. Dalsheimer, visited the Hebrew University yesterday and were received by Mr. B. Cherrick, the University's Director of Organization and Information.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Gordon were at home yesterday for leading members of WIZO from overseas as well as members of the Executive of the local branch. Mrs. Gordon is chairman of the Jerusalem branch of WIZO.

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Dr. H. Bernstein, managing director of the Kadimah Chemical Corporation, will give a "My Job" talk at the Haifa Rotary Club at 1.15 p.m. today.

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An Exhibition of paintings and sculptures by artists affiliated to the Kibbutz Artzi Movement was opened at the Artists House in Tel Aviv yesterday.

BIRTH

HARNIK — To Raya (nee Witkon) and Meir Harnik, a son — brother to Guni. Jerusalem, April 7, 1958.

BIRTH AND BRIT MILAH

BEN-VERED — To Tamar, wife of Amos Ben-Vered, Jerusalem — a son, brother to Eilsil. Brit Milah on Saturday, April 12, 11 a.m. at Hadassah Hospital. This is the only intimation.

World Socialist Youth Seminar For Israel

VIENNA, Tuesday. — The International Union of Socialist Youth has decided to hold its two months seminar of youth leaders from Asia, Africa, Europe and South America in Israel, for the first time, it was announced here.

Emphasis was placed on the importance of the IUSY's decision in choosing Israel as the point of strengthening Asian and African socialism.

Arkia Doubles Number Of Flights to Eilat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The influx of tourists has boosted Arkia flights to Eilat — excluding chartered flights — to 10 return trips a day, about double the normal service, Mr. A. Housman, its general manager, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

With the increased number of passengers, Arkia Inland Airways has introduced several improvements in facilities, he said. One of them is the installation at Eilat and Tel Aviv of ground air-conditioning units which inject cool air into the Dakota aircraft — which carry 32 passengers — eliminating the discomfort which prevailed previously until height was reached. Passenger waiting rooms in Lydda and Tel Aviv have been enlarged. No permanent terminal will be set up at Eilat yet since the present airfield is temporary, and its location is to be moved some three-quarters of a kilometre.

The company's two new twin-engined Beechcraft planes will next month open new internal lines. They will ply a round trip: Mahanayim (Upper Galilee) - Haifa - Tel Aviv - Beersheba - Timna - Eilat. A Mahanayim-Tel Aviv hop will probably be run twice weekly; Tel Aviv-Beersheba-Eilat, three times a week, and Tel Aviv-Timna-Eilat, daily.

Chartered Beechcraft flights from Tel Aviv to Eilat will begin this week. The charge for chartering the 10-passenger plane will be about IL140 per flight hour, i.e. IL14 per person. Arrangements have been made for quick conversion of the planes into six seat "executive suites."

Arkia's freight service to Eilat has doubled to 20 tons monthly. The company has started to deliver goods on a C.O.D. basis, acting as agents for suppliers.

Two USOM Experts Leave on Thursday

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Two United States Operations Mission technicians are leaving on Thursday, one on reassignment to Korea, the other on home leave before returning to Israel.

They are Mr. Tom B. Thomas, Construction Engineer Advisor, who has been assigned to Korea after four-and-one-half years in Israel, and Mr. I. B. Johnson, Agricultural Research Coordinator, who arrived here almost two years ago and will return to Israel after home leave.

During his tour in Israel, Mr. Thomas was instrumental in the establishment of the Field Construction Quality Control Centre being used by Tahal and Mekorot. He brought to the job more than 20 years of experience in the heavy construction field with the United States Bureau of Reclamation.

Johnson has assisted in the coordination of agricultural research, education and extension in Israel. Since 1913 he has been engaged in fields of agricultural education, research, extension, marketing and administration in the United States, plus agricultural assignments in Latin America.

Tourist Restaurants May Ban Tourists

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A suggestion to refuse entry to tourists is being considered by local "Approved for Tourists" restaurants and cafes. There are about ten such establishments in the town.

The step is designed as a protest against the Government Tourist Corporation. The Corporation has obtained an exemption for tourist hotels from the 10 per cent social welfare levy on meals. But the approved restaurants must continue charging this levy. The owners claim that this has already led to some unpleasantness, with tourists refusing to pay the levy, thinking that they are not bound to do so. Restaurateurs say they have had a hard time explaining the system by which tourists must pay the levy in a restaurant, but need not do so in a hotel.

If the suggestion is adopted, all the restaurants will post large signs, "Tourists Not Admitted," over their Tourist Corporation approval emblem.

U.N. Expert Now Dean At the Technion

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Mr. J. G. Zeitlen, United Nations expert in Soil Mechanics at the Technion, has been elected Dean of the Faculty of Civil Engineering.

Mr. Zeitlen was born in the U.S.A., and received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He came to Israel in 1953 to advise both the Technion and Tahal, in the field of soil mechanics. At the Technion, he played an active part in the establishment of a Soil and Transportation Engineering Division, with laboratories for teaching and research in soil mechanics, soil science and highway paving materials. He has proposed the layout and organization of the new Soil Engineering Building, now under construction at Technion City, which will house the enlarged Division.

Since he has been in Israel, Mr. Zeitlen has initiated a number of research projects at the Technion in the field of Soil Engineering, and has been consulted on foundation problems of industrial and housing construction in many parts of Israel.

Two Men Cycle From Tiberias to Eilat

EILAT, Tuesday. — Two cyclists arrived here from Tiberias at 7 p.m. yesterday after having started off from Tiberias at 1.30 on Saturday morning. The cyclists, a radio technician Yehuda Alhadaf, and Uri Anat, a former Tiberias Mapai secretary, both 22, made two stopovers en route.

They returned to Lydda today by plane. *(Itim)*

Swiss Nature Lovers On Visit to Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A group of 22 Swiss men and women, all members of the international "Nature Friends" organization, arrived here this morning in the s.s. "Enotria" for a fortnight's visit. They range in age from 70 to about 20 and come from all walks of life, though most are frugal working folk who have had to save for a long time to afford the trip overseas.

They were greeted in the port by some of their Israel colleagues, of whom there are altogether 800, headed by Dr. O. Robinson, of Haifa. (Switzerland has about 30,000 organized Nature Friends.) The guests were cordially welcomed at the City Hall by Mayor Khoushy. Greeting them in the Council Room over a cup of Turkish coffee, he spoke in almost fluent German. He invited them to see the Haifa Flower Show when they returned to the city at the end of their tour.

Low Cost Tour

A simple truck, painted in two shades of green, will carry the visitors on tours as far south as Ein Gedi. Because of their limited means, they will stop at youth hostels and at the homes of local members of the organization, who will take turns daily as their guides.

Outstanding among the group because of his picturesque appearance is Francesco Luscher, 76, a sculptor from the Tessin, who has long white hair, wears a sleeveless monastic dark blouse and sandals, and looks like Tolstoy.

The Israel organisation of Nature Friends was founded 22 years ago. Up to two years ago there were only two branches, both in Haifa, but since then nature love has spread to Tel Aviv, Tiv'on, Nahariya and other places. The members of the organisation go on excursions almost every weekend, cover much of the distance walking and arrange lectures and courses on Israel nature lore and preservation. The authorities give the movement their sympathy, but no funds. It supports itself on the contributions and enthusiasm of its dedicated members.

25m. Francs Pledged for Solar Energy Lab.

The Friends of the Hebrew University in France have undertaken to raise 25 million francs towards the establishment of a Solar Energy Laboratory on the Hebrew University campus in cooperation with the Israel Research Council.

A substantial sum for the project was raised at a dinner held in Paris recently under the auspices of the French Friends. Baron Guy de Rothschild, Chairman of the Friends, acted as host to the more than eighty guests at the dinner, at which speakers were M. René Mayer, former French Premier; M. Felix Strombe, Director of Solar Energy Research in France; and M. Alec Weisweller, Vice-Chairman of the Friends. Greetings were conveyed on behalf of the Rector of the Sorbonne by the Dean of Science, Prof. Peres, and on behalf of the Israel Embassy by Dr. Lotan.

The Hebrew University was represented by Dr. M. Heytan, Chairman of the University's Alumni Association, who recently returned to Israel after spending several months in France and other European countries on behalf of the University.

THE HABIMAH Theatre has chosen the play "This Land," by Aaron Ashman, to open its season of Tenth Year celebrations. The play deals with the difficulties of the early settlers in the country.

Full National League Card

By KEITH BEECHER

A full round of National League games will be played today. In order to complete the second round to prepare for overseas engagements, the Israel Football Federation decided to play mid-week games. A similar complete series may also be played next Wednesday too.

Jerusalemites will claim that they have the best game on the card with the visit of their club-mates from Tel Aviv. The hosts lie seventh in the table, with 12 points, two more than the Tel Avivians. Their great game on Saturday against leaders, Tel Aviv Maccabi, must have given Tel Aviv Hapoel new heart, besides the fact that lying third from bottom they need points urgently. It should prove a fine holiday game.

The leaders, meanwhile, travel to Kfar Saba to play the local Hapoel side, who prop up the table. They should collect two more points and retain their top place. Tel Avivians will be able to see second place Petah Tikva Hapoel in action against Tel Aviv Betar, who have been showing marked improvement in recent weeks. The Petah Tikva men, however, are going great guns, and must be taken for full points.

Haifa Maccabi, currently holding third spot, are playing Jaffa Maccabi away. The Jaffa men are not the side they were earlier in the season and the Haifa XI should keep in the honours race. Haifa's holiday game brings their Hapoel side up against their club-mates from Ramat Gan. They lie fourth and fifth in the table respectively, with one points difference, so the local fans should be treated to a good match.

Fixtures: T.A. Betar vs. Petah T. Hap; Kfar Saba Hap. vs. T.A. Mac.; Jl'em Hap. vs. T. Hap.; Haifa Hap. vs. Ramat Gan Hap.; Petah T. Mac. vs. Natanya Mac.; Jaffa Mac. vs. Haifa Mac.

Schmidt Wins South Africa Men's Singles

JOHANNESBURG, Tuesday (Reuter). — Ulf Schmidt, of Sweden, beat Torben Ulrich, of Denmark, 1-6, 12-10, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3, to win the South African tennis championship men's singles at Ellis Park here.

Sandra Reynolds and Renee Schuurman, of South Africa, gained the women's doubles title. Seeded second, they beat top seeded Shirley Bloomer (Britain) and Louise Brough (U.S.), 4-6, 8-6, 6-3. In the mixed doubles semi-final, Bryan Woodroffe and Mrs. Thea Hais (S. Africa) defeated Torben Ulrich and Beryl Bartlett (S. Africa), 7-5, 9-7.

Brough Out

Previously Miss Louise Brough and Miss Shirley Bloomer, seeded first and second, were eliminated in the women's singles semi-finals, Miss Brough, four times winner of Wimbledon, lost to the young South African player, Miss Berenice Carr, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, and Miss Bloomer, Britain's top woman player, was beaten by Mrs. Heather Segal, of South Africa, 6-3, 6-1.

This was Miss Brough's first defeat in South Africa. Obviously past her best, Miss Brough was also off form and wilted before the increasing confidence of Miss Carr, 20, whose game based on relentless ground shots from the baseline, merely kept the ball in play until Miss Brough made an error. In the other semifinal, Miss Bloomer trailed throughout and was completely out-played by Mrs. Segal, the defending champion, who won in less than three-quarters of an hour.

Illustrated Bible On Sale Soon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 2,000-page illustrated Bible with an English translation is soon to be put on the market by Lifshits Press-Jerusalem Bible Publishing Co., Mr. Nahum Lifshits told a press conference yesterday.

The illustrations, one on each page, were culled from various Bibles and encyclopaedias dating back to the sixteenth century. The English translation is that of Dr. Michael Friedlander, based on the King James version.

The Bible is intended principally for export, Mr. Lifshits stated. No price has yet been set.

DERAILED. — Two people were killed and 41 injured when the Algeciras-Madrid express was derailed south of Cordoba early yesterday.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Man in the Shadow.
EDEN: The Teahouse of the August Moon.
TEL OR: Mi Tho Jacinto.
ORION: Amber.
ORNA: If's Great To Be Young.
RON: Aber Kisha.
OR GIL: Love in the Afternoon.
Mat.: Walk the Proud Land. 10.30 a.m.
ZION HALL: Omar Khayyam.
EDISON: Satellite in the Sky.
STUDIO: The King and I.

TEL AVIV

ALLENBY: The Admirable Crichton.
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ORION: Punktchen und Anton.
PEER: Oh My Papa.
SHDEROTH: Robson's Choice.
TAMAR: The Cranes are Flying.
TEL AVIV: A Farewell To Arms.
TARON: Sayonara.
YAMIR: Twelve Angry Men.
ZAFON: Ich Und Meine Frau.

HAIFA

MORIAH: 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea.
PEER: La Mome Vert de Gris.
Mat.: Tischlein Deck Dich!
ARMON: Ces Dames Preferent Le Mambo.
EN DOR: Ces Dames Preferent La Femme.
ORLY: Le Monde du Silence.
AMPRITHEATRE: Peyton Place
ORAH: Yangtse Incident.
GAL OR: The Phoenix City Story.
Mats.: The Sword and the Rose.
ORION: Tarzan and the Lost Safari. (From 10 a.m.).
ATENON: Invitation to the Dance. (Also at 11 a.m.).
MAY: Gunfight at the O.K. Corral.

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Sharav conditions.

Weather Synopsis: A barometric high over the Eastern Mediterranean caused yesterday's fair weather over our region. A depression over Central Cyrenaica is coming eastwards and will give sharav conditions today.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	50	11	21	24
Tiberias	40	16	26	30
Haifa Port	59	15	20	26
Natanya	58	14	22	26
Tel Aviv Port	71	16	20	23
Lydda Airport	62	11	23	27
Jerusalem	43	13	20	26
Beersheba	36	16	24	28
Sdom	—	21	—	—
Eilat	—	19	34	35

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. yesterday. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. John Bassett, publisher of the Toronto daily "The Telegram," and Mrs. Bassett, for a 10-day visit as guests of the Government.

Mr. Walter Feuchtwanger, managing director of I.L. Feuchtwanger Bank Ltd., from a short business trip to Europe.

THE BOARD of Directors of the Misrahi Bank recently decided to increase the registered share capital of the Bank by IL250,000 to IL1,250,000.

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80 PILGRIMS from the Philippines, who are on their way to Rome, arrived in Haifa on Monday night. They crossed from Jordan through the Mandelbaum Gate and are staying in the country three days.

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A NEW baby ward was dedicated on Monday at the Wizo Mothercraft Training centre, in Tel Aviv. A special project of the Women's Zionist Council of Southern Africa, it will be named in honour of Dr. Devorah Sagorsky, of South Africa.

'March of Prutot' Reaches Capital

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The March of Prutot campaign was formally inaugurated in Jerusalem yesterday afternoon when the Minister for Religious Affairs and Social Welfare, Mr. Haim Moshe Shapiro, inserted the first 100 pruta into a special collection poster.

The campaign aims at raising IL600,000 to help in the rehabilitation of some 3,500 polio stricken under the care of the Ilanshil-Polio organization.

At a brief ceremony held in the conference hall of the Municipality, Mayor Gershon Agron read before members of the organization's National Committee the names of the first Jonors to sign the Scrolls of Honour, indicating a contribution of IL1 to the campaign. The signatories include the Prime Minister, Mr. Shapiro, the Minister of Justice, the Minister of Posts, the Minister of Education and Culture, the Minister of Finance, and the Chief of Staff. The list was added to on the spot by IL1 contributions of all those present.

The distinctive cards with space for twenty 100 pruta coins appeared in Jerusalem shops some days ago, in advance of the official campaign opening.

A certificate of merit for "generous contribution to the rehabilitation of infantile paralysis victims" was presented to Mr. Shapiro, who is President of Ilanshil, by Mrs. Yael Matalon, Chairman of the March of Prutot Organization Committee. Mr. Shapiro, in his remarks, noted that the Ilanshil helped not only in easing the suffering of the stricken, but served as a source of encouragement both to the afflicted children and their parents.

Mr. Dan Pines, Chairman of Ilanshil's Executive Committee, expressed "thanks in advance" to the nation for their support to the campaign.

35 Leaders Of Reform Jewry Here

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A delegation of 35 Rabbis and lay leaders of the Reform Movement in the U.S. arrived at Lydda last night for a three weeks' visit. They will be joined on Thursday by Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

In a statement before the group left New York, Rabbi Jay Kaufman, vice president of the UAHC, declared that one of the purposes of the group's visit will be to explore the great interest shown by Israelis in Reform Judaism. At the same time, he emphasized that they would not engage in a crusade here, since he felt that "the liberal interpretation of Judaism which will eventually evolve in Israel, might differ from that of America..."

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations is the parent body of 550 Reform congregations with a membership of over one million in the U.S. and Canada.

Tel Aviv Tourist Traffic Up 150 % Over Last Year

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Government Tourist Corporation Offices at Rehov Mendele, known as "tourists' corner," have for the past few days resembled a miniature Grand Central Station, with hundreds of milling tourists, many of them easily distinguishable by their fabulous hat creations, come to get information, arrange accommodations or tickets, to complain or pay compliments.

The Corporation offices have this month been open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and sometimes later, officials dealing with the visitors in English, Yiddish, French, Spanish, German and even Hebrew.

All departments report that "everything has so far gone off smoothly" so far as accommodations and tour arrangements are concerned. It is estimated that 10,000 tourists are now in the country, most spending their nights in the Tel Aviv area. All luxury and "B" class hotels are fully occupied, and some 300 tourists are staying in private homes.

Most of the visitors have come from the U.S. followed by South America, France and Britain, though it is possible to find tourists from as far afield as New Zealand, Norway, Chile and India. The great majority are middle-aged and above.

In March 7,000 tourists were registered in Tel Aviv — a record — and an increase of 150 per cent over March, 1957. Some 12,000 tourists are expected here for Independence Day.

Parade Top Attraction

Under heaviest pressure has been the Ticket Department, and queues for seats (at IL5 each) for the Independence Day military parade in the Capital and the military pageants at Ramat Gan (IL3 and IL5 each) are a daily feature. Between 8 and 11 this morning, 400 tourists sought tickets. More than 8,000 have booked special transport from here to Jerusalem to view the main parade, Mr. David Sasson, manager of ticket sales, said.

Lydda Airport has now been linked to the Tourist Corporation Accommodation Department teleprinter network, which now includes Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa and Haifa Port in a single circuit. Tourists arriving in the country are allotted hotel or private room accommodation, without delay or disappointments.

Mrs. L. Don-Yechiya, Manager of the Accommodation Department, complimented householders who had offered rooms to tourists for making them welcome even in the middle of the night. Nevertheless, the Department held a "reserve" of 25 rooms at Neve Monosson, near the Airport, which were utilized for the visitors' first night here if no other accommodation was available.

Most of the tourists were keen on staying in the centre of Tel Aviv, and Mrs. Don-Yechiya was convinced that if the Nordau Plaza Hotel, still a skeleton, were completed, it would be full to capacity. Tourists claimed that if they come all the way to Israel, they did not wish to put up at lower grade hotels.

The official price of "A" class rooms is set at IL8.500 for a single bed and IL8.800 for two persons, compared to IL4.400 and IL7.150 for "B" rooms.

Flooding the offices today were also callers who came to compliment their "landladies." One complained about her relatives who insisted on keeping her in a village "when I want to see the world here." Another said she came here to be cured of her inertia and another, aged over 40, asked frankly for bachelors' addresses as she intended to marry whilst here. A large number asked how they could actively celebrate Independence Day.

The tourists obviously enjoy the warm, sunny weather, and appeared in their most summery costumes — bare backs and sunburnt shoulders. Some strolled the beach in bathing suits, but few dared the water.

A New Slant On Tourist Relations

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A tourist brochure with an entirely new slant has just been issued by the Alliance Tire Company for distribution to overseas visitors to the plant.

The brochure tells the visitor that "we appreciate that a tourist's life is not easy. For days, perhaps weeks, you have been roaming all over the country, collecting impressions, snapshots, viewing towns, mountains and deserts. You have listened to innumerable explanations and lectures and, worst of all — speeches."

Turning to the guest's visit to the Alliance, the leaflet says "we won't bother you with more figures and statistics, which you are bound to forget anyway, but instead thank you for your visit, wish you a pleasant trip home and happy memories of Israel. Finally we hope it is not goodbye but only au revoir."

The brochure is appropriately illustrated with humorous sketches.

Experience Tells In Frenchman's Win

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The French tennis player Christian Viron, seeded 15th in his country, today proved too experienced for Israel's 20-year-old Dov Gorshein, beating him 6:0, 6:3 in the second round of the Passover international open tennis tournament at the Maccabi courts.

The Frenchman settled down to play a polished and powerful game from the baseline. The Hebrew University medical student produced some fine shots, but appeared nervous against his seasoned opponent.

In other matches, young Gabriel Dubitzki proved too strong for the veteran M. Apel, in beating him 6:3, 6:0, while the Cypriot Y. Stephani fought his way to the third round at the expense of Bergman, winning 6:0, 6:0. E. Davidman had no difficulty disposing of Fineberg 6:0, 6:1.

In the women's tourney, E. Cohen-Mintz knocked out Edna Deutsch 6:0, 6:4, after the latter led 4:1 in the second set.

The outstanding games tomorrow promise to be the match between ninth seeded Frenchman, Francis Nya and Stephani, and the Viron-Dubitzki encounter.

Wizo Cultivates Taciturn Guides

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Fifty public-spirited Wizo volunteers, undergoing training as tourist hostesses at the Wizo club, on Rehov Hayarkon here, were quite taken aback by their instructor's parting admonition: "Don't talk too much!"

This rather shrewd piece of advice came as an anticlimax to the ladies, who had been polishing up their Zionist history, Israel geography, archaeology, and Wizology at a seminar organized by the Wizo Tourist Department in preparation for the onrush of Tenth Anniversary visitors. Nevertheless, the team of hostesses will be ready to relate, even in small doses and in English, French, Spanish, Yiddish, German and Italian, facts and figures of interest to the tourist.

Sensible as Well

They will be equipped as well to enter into sensible discussion of the problems of immigrant integration and ethnic groups in Israel, having participated in a joint seminar with Hadassah hostesses on these two subjects. The volunteers also underwent a "pre-tourist tour" of Wizo institutions and projects, and those of other organizations, in order to bone up for their work as travelling guides.

All of the hostesses will be on home duty at the Wizo club — on a rotation basis — where aside from making the guests comfortable and plying them with material and soft drinks, they will conduct them through the permanent Wizo display summing up Wizo achievements during the first decade of statehood.

Not to be outdone by the metropolis, local Wizo groups in Beersheba, Kfar Argentina and Kfar Tabor are turning their clubhouses into "wayside inns" for tourists to the "provinces." Giant signs on the main roads will direct weary tourists to the clubs where they will be able to refresh themselves and sip a cool drink in an easy chair.

Wizo is expecting large delegations of members from abroad during the coming months, but in line with its non-partisan programme — everybody is welcome, even men!

MISSION. — Chinese premier Chou En-lai yesterday received Lt. General Mohamed Ibrahim, leader of the visiting U.A.R. military goodwill mission.

10% Drop Seen In Diamond Exports

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A drop of between seven to ten per cent in 1958-59 diamond exports was forecast yesterday by the Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mr. I. Gluckman.

He said that this year's diamond exports would most likely total only $30m., as compared to last year's $32m., owing to the slump in the world demand for diamonds.

The foreign currency budget published last week estimated receipts from diamond exports during the coming year at $40m.

He added that the Israel industry was faced with bitter international competition in the utilization of the smaller stones due to the higher wage scales here, but a special committee had been set up to study ways and means for cutting down production costs. Mr. Gluckman declared that there was no intention of revising expansion plans for the industry in development areas, as it is felt that the world slump is only temporary.

3rd Party Insurance Rises by 45%

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Compulsory third party vehicle insurance rates have risen by 45 per cent as of April 6, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday. Comprehensive vehicle insurance rates were raised last January and remain in effect.

The raise was decided on recently by the Vehicle Insurance Committee composed of Mr. D. Ben Dror of the Ministry of Finance, Mr. Y. Karniel of the Insurance Controller's Office, and Mr. Y. Danon of the Binyan Insurance Company.

The rise will result in increases of between IL16 to IL40 according to the vehicle type.

Drought-Stricken Beduin Aided

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — The Government is helping drought-stricken Negev Beduin by buying up 20,000 dunams of stunted barley from 20 Negev settlements and handing over the crop to Beduin for hand-reaping.

The crop, which is too short to be harvested mechanically, is expected to yield 40 kilogrammes per dunam (about a third to a quarter of the normal Negev yield). This assistance will serve as part compensation for the Beduin's losses.

The Ministry of Agriculture is also to lay a 10 km. long three inch water line to an area near moshav Ahuzam where Beduin are grazing their animals. Because Mekorot quoted a sum of IL350,000 for installing the temporary line — needed for about six months — the Ministry has decided to buy the pipes and to form a committee of Beduin to take care of the pipe-laying work. The Ministry expects the total cost of pipes and their installation to amount to IL80,000.

Herut 'Anniversary of The Revolt' Rally in Tel Aviv

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Traffic broke down, local residents moved to the outer suburbs and inhabitants of the Hatikva and Ezra quarters and surrounding ma'barot poured into the centre of town today as Herut staged its own "revolt anniversary."

With flags waving, drums beating and brass bands playing, an estimated 7,000 supporters drawn from Irgun Zvai Leumi veterans, Herut and dark-blue shirted Betar youth marched through the streets.

The parade passed along a thronged Allenby Road, wheeled down Tel Aviv-Jaffa road and ended in Sderot Jerusalem, in Jaffa. The procession was led by Herut Party leader, Mr. M. Begin, M.K., who acknowledged the adulation of mothers holding up their babies to see the leader pass by.

Reunite Homeland

All the banners and slogans borne by the flag waving, chanting marchers, called for "the unification of the historic homeland."

Mr. Begin called for a change in government during the coming decade at the two rallies held at the beginning and at the end of the march.

At the first rally, held in Kikar Herbert Samuel, Mayor Haim Levanon went further than the leader in praising I.Z.L. achievements. He contended that the I.Z.L. had forced the Hagana into action against the British.

M. Jacques Soustelle, former French Cabinet Minister, was warmly applauded whenever he spoke of French-Israel friendship. He invoked the names of General De Gaulle and Ze'ev Jabotinsky as spiritual fathers of this unity.

M. Begin on Spot

At the march's end, Mr. Begin was spotlighted on a Jaffa hill during a harangue on the I.Z.L. "conquest of Jaffa." The party leader spoke in increasingly hysterical terms and his massed and now glassy-eyed supporters became almost hysterical when he called for the liberation of the Old City.

Waving his hands, and lit up by fireworks, Mr. Begin called on "My Soldiers, My Sons" to help change the government.

The large crowd heard itself called "the generation of rebellion" and cheered wildly at each mention of "France," "Begin," "Ze'ev Jabotinsky" and "I.Z.L."

Deputy Mayor A. Schechterman also spoke.

Haifaite Allegedly Admits To Strangling Sleeping Spouse

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Mrs. Zahava Weinstein, 42, mother of two, was strangled in her sleep at her Ramot Remez shikun home at midnight yesterday. Police arrested her husband, Aryeh, 47, who allegedly admitted the murder. He attempted suicide after the crime.

In a preliminary interrogation he pleaded mental depression and blamed his wife's nagging for the assault.

According to the police, the husband said that the couple went to sleep as usual at about 11 last night. There had been no quarrel. About midnight, the husband allegedly got up and quietly strangled his wife, who slept in the next bed. The children, a boy and a girl, 12 and 6 respectively, heard nothing.

After the murder, Weinstein drank some turpentine, but felt no particular effects after he swallowed all the liquid in the bottle. Later, he started slashing his wrists with a razor blade and lost some blood. He spent the next few hours chainsmoking, and an ash-tray full of cigarette butts was found next to his bed.

About 6 this morning, weakened from the loss of blood, he knocked at a neighbour's door and asked him to call a doctor.

The children woke only when neighbours entered the flat. They were told that their mother was ill and had been taken away.

After treatment, Weinstein was taken to be questioned by Detective Superintendent Zevulun Baum, Chief of the Haifa C.I.D. Weinstein, who is a locksmith, has worked for the Electric Company for many years. Neighbours say that he suffered from depressions and was under treatment in a mental home three years ago. He was currently in the care of a psychiatrist.

According to neighbours, the family's financial position was good. Recently they are believed to have received a legacy and were about to sell their flat to move to a new home on Mt. Carmel. They were seldom known to quarrel, and appeared to have got on well together. Weinstein had no apparent reason for the crime.

Tonight's murder was the sixth in the Haifa area this year.

Persistent Postman Jailed for Strike

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A postman who yesterday afternoon brought his bed to the Yad Eliahu post office to stage a hunger strike and was arrested after midnight and released on bond, was arrested a second time today when he returned to his old stand.

The postman, Mr. Sa'adia Shapiro, 28, of Kfar Shalem, said he was protesting against his discharge for reasons of health after six years of employment. Today, other office employees joined him in a solidarity work stoppage.

The Ministry of Posts spokesman said today that when Shapiro was taken on in 1952, the Ministry medical board put him on 10 months' probation. He was examined at 10-month periods and his probation was extended until the end of 1957, when he was found medically unfit to continue as a postman. The spokesman said that the post office had offered Shapiro a job as nightwatchman but he turned it down.

The police were called in, he said, because the strike was disrupting work in the Yad Eliahu post office.

Bar-Yehuda Turns Down Joanovici's Plea

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda, has refused Mr. Yosef Joanovici's request to be granted immigrant status, the Ministry spokesman revealed in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Bar-Yehuda notified Mr. Joanovici's attorney of his decision, which he said was based on his conclusion that Joanovici's criminal past might possibly menace the public safety. He added that his opinion had not changed following his perusal of the evidence which had been presented together with the official request. *(Itim)*

Four Soldiers Hurt In Three-Car Crash

RAMLE, Tuesday.— Two soldiers were seriously injured and two servicewomen suffered contusions in a three-car collision on the Ramle-Bilu road today.

Police stated that a civilian truck, driven by Binyamin Boren, of Kibbutz Shuval, halted suddenly, and an Army truck travelling behind it and carrying the four soldiers piled into it. An Army tender in turn rammed into and sandwiched the Army truck.

The injured soldiers were taken to the Assaf Harofe hospital. The civilian driver was detained and released on bond, while the two Army drivers were handed over to the Military Police. *(Itim)*

Circus Cancels Visit to Capital

The Medrano Circus has cancelled its planned appearance in Jerusalem, it was learned yesterday.

In a telegram to the Ministries of Finance and Interior and to the Mayor of Jerusalem, the circus management declared that it was forced to give up its plans to appear in the capital because of the difficulty in finding a suitable site for its performances.

Mrs. Weizmann Was Visitor to Nazareth

The Jerusalem Post erred yesterday in reporting the surprise visit of Mrs. Rachel Ben-Zvi to Nazareth. The visitor was Mrs. Vera Weizmann, widow of Israel's first President, who was on a tour of Galilee accompanied by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. M. Weizmann, her grandson, David, and Dr. Nora Nicholls.

West to Blame For Arab Extremism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The failure of the Arab nations to establish constructive nationalist movements could be partially attributed to Western incompetence, Mr. Y. Shimoni said yesterday in an address before an Israel Historical Society conference in Jerusalem.

The three-day conference held at the Hebrew University campus ended last night after 11 lectures and general discussion on the subject of "Nationalism and Messianism in Israel and the Nations". Over 500 persons from all over the country attended the meeting.

Mr. Shimoni stated that it was the historical failure of the West to cast a "firm anchor of friendship" in the Eastern world and to create a society in its own image there, as well as the lack of a fertile social soil in the Arab nations that resulted in Arab nationalist movements which were extremist, negative, and ambitious out of proportion".

Prof. S. Eisenstadt spoke on the influence of nationalist movements in the development of political institutions especially in those countries which achieved their independence in the wake of World War Two. Prof. Eisenstadt pointed out that in so far as the new political leaders of the nations were not really independent or were divided among themselves, the chances of a democratic regime developing became weaker.

Dr. S. Esh, discussed the "National-Political Education" of the Nazis, declaring that education was considered an aspect of life determined by society and was therefore subject to change when political changes occurred in the society.

Concluding speakers were Dr. I. Arieli, Prof. G. Talmon and Prof. Y. Prawer.

Tradition's Place In Literature Debated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Today's final session of the Hebrew Writers Association conference revolved around the need to return to the nation's traditional heritage as a source of inspiration for its literary creation.

The delegates who spoke were divided into two camps, one advocating a return to the age-old religious values of Judaism and the other stressing the need for the creative writer to be true to himself and mirror the secular reality of the modern world.

The evening session closed with the adoption of resolutions and the election of a new Executive Committee.

2,000 COUNCILS.—The Premier of Kashmir, Bakshi Ghulam, declared yesterday that "not even 2,000 Security Councils and 5,000 General Assemblies" could change the status of Kashmir. He told a meeting that Kashmir's accession to India was irrevocable.

Anti-Pool

(Continued from Page One)

lots' "Foreign Minister," Rabbi Y. Sheinberger, dressed in a black tam, kaftan, whose reaping wailing cries, sent chills through the crowd.

Rabbi Mutzafi, of the Sephardi community, spoke quietly and was the only one to address the throng in Hebrew. "Reb Aryeh" was next, followed by Rabbi Avraham Meisels.

High Level Parley

It was uncertain until the last moment whether the Natorei Karta would break out of their courtyard, and parade through the streets.

At the critical moment, Rabbi Epstein and an aide walked up to the police officer in charge, Deputy District Superintendent David Wilk, to ask permission for his people to demonstrate in a proscribed area.

There was no permit for a demonstration, but Officer Wilk and Rabbi Epstein agreed that they could congregate in the streets in Mea Shearim and a little further. Mr. Wilk gave orders to close off traffic in the area.

One police officer commented that the Epstein-Wilk meeting was a departure for the Natorei Karta and interpreted it as de facto recognition by the sect of the police force.

Youngsters Hold Fort

The street demonstration was left to the young people who got out of hand by moving up Rehov Peretz to the Edison Cinema. The police were firm and drove them back to the defined area.

There the demonstrators loosed their pent up energies in song and dance while the police stood quiet and firm in rows. A few stones were hurled onto a police van from the direction of the balcony of the Great Free Kitchen where the Natorei Karta elders were assembled.

A 1,200-gallon police water truck was brought up at one point but was not used. Ennui and police patience soon overcame the demonstrators and by 7 o'clock only a knot of about 300 remained to be cleared.

The leader of Natorei Karta, Rabbi Amram Blau, was absent yesterday, in jail, and it appeared that the lack of his dynamic leadership was felt.

His son Uri and a friend who were to have returned to prison yesterday after having been freed for the Passover *seder* did not return because of illness. Police certified that the illness was genuine.

'SONG OF THE SEA' FETE IN EILAT

EILAT, Tuesday. — Some 2,000 orthodox Jews this evening converged on Eilat for the traditional ceremony of the "Song of the Sea." They arrived in a long column of flag-flying vehicles.

The gathering was blessed by Dr. S. Z. Cahane, Director-General of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, standing on the glass bottomed boat in the bay.

Caught Selling Stolen Ticket at Spec. Price

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Not satisfied with successfully stealing a cinema ticket, an 18-year-old resident of the Hatikva Quarter tried to hawk it at a speculator's price and ended in jail.

The youth snatched the ticket from Mr. Yosef Ze'evi outside a Tel Aviv cinema, and disappeared into the crowd. Mr. Ze'evi buttonholed a policeman and gave him the number of the ticket.

The youth, picked up for speculating in cinema tickets, was found to be hawking the stolen ticket. *(Itim)*

George Jean Nathan Dies in N.Y. at 76

NEW YORK, Tuesday (UP). George Jean Nathan, 76, long-time dean of Broadway dramatic critics and literary "bad boy" associate of the late Henry L. Mencken, died in his hotel apartment early today after a long illness.

For 30 years—from 1908 until he became ill two years ago—Nathan sat in a critic's aisle-seat at Broadway openings, turned a corrosive pen on its failures and frequently proclaimed his displeasure publicly by walking out on the worst of them.

Nathan and Mencken met in 1914 and began editing "Smart Set," a magazine in which they fostered the work of new writers including F. Scott Fitzgerald, Theodore Dreiser and Ben Hecht.

He married for the first time in 1956. His wife, actress Julie Haydon, was with him when he died in his hotel apartment.

Cables in Brief

I.R.A. — Armed raiders, presumed to be members of the Irish Republican Army, on Monday night wrecked the employment exchange at Newry, Northern Ireland, and then blew up a customs hut nearby on the main Belfast-Dublin road.

THIRTEEN CENTS. — Fred T. Howard was sentenced in Birmingham, Alabama, yesterday to 30 years in prison for killing a robbery accomplice during an argument over 13 cents of the loot.

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"I HAVE COME TO DANCE THE HORA" said the Thousandth Tourist

(By Special Correspondent)

"I have come to dance the Hora, the real Hora, like the Sabras and pioneers of Israel dance it, this has been my aspiration for 20 years and I have come to Israel to realize it on the eve of the 10th Anniversary Celebrations." This hearty declaration, which was made by the thousandth tourist arriving today at Haifa Port, was received with great applause by all the tourists present on the quay at the time. In my casual conversations with them—during the customs clearing—I found that the problem which confronts them is: Where can they dance the Hora, the real Hora, hear Israel songs, celebrate the 10th Anniversary, drink Israel wine, see Israel art, meet all kinds of Israelis and join them in their festivities.

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ISRAEL has existed for a decade, but some things are still done here, and not only by Israelis, that could scarcely be conceivable in an "ordinary" country, whatever that might be. We have much trouble with neighbours who not only do not recognize us formally, but who openly inveigh against our existence and threaten to destroy us at the first opportunity. They do this notwithstanding the fact that they are members of the United Nations, as we are, whose charter requires all its constituents to live at peace with each other. This is the Middle Eastern climate, and today there is little to choose between the Egyptian hate-broadcasts against Israel and those against the Hashemite Kingdom, whose puny forces are described as the world's most dangerous colonialist-imperialist menace.

DIPLOMATIC GAMES

We have learnt to live with this open enmity. This process is made easier, if anything, by the fact that the enmity is so open and public; sometimes, perhaps, it is even more public than genuine and profound.

One of the distressing aspects of this enmity is the effect it has on Western states who seek to establish a kind of neutrality as between the two sides. It may be possible, though it is difficult enough, to maintain neutrality in the face of actual warfare; it is not possible to be neutral as between one state, accepted and recognized by international law, such as Israel, which wishes to live at peace, and another which threatens to wipe out this neighbour. It does not seem reasonable that states should accord us full recognition and maintain the warmest diplomatic relations with us, and yet be "neutral" on the subject of seeing us destroyed.

The case in point that has arisen now concerns the position of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. Jerusalem is the capital of Israel in fact and in law, in history and tradition, and the city occupies a position of exceptional veneration in the hearts of the nation. Under the original U.N. partition scheme, it is true, it was foreseen that the whole of Jerusalem should be internationalized under U.N. supervision. Yet Palestine was never peacefully partitioned, but Israel forced to carve out what borders it could to save itself from destruction. The borders that were thus created have achieved recognition and cannot now be amended except by agreement or by war, including those around the Israel section of Jerusalem: indeed, these more than any other section of the border are vital and precious. Their establishment, without doubt, was facilitated by the fact that Jordan, as the occupier of the other half of Jerusalem, was equally reluctant to see the city internationalized, so that there is no question here of a dispute between two neighbours.

Why, then, should some of the Western nations which maintain an appearance of the greatest amity towards Israel at regular intervals lay claim to a favoured position in some future Arab paradise by declining to recognize Israel's capital? A discreet silence is preserved in this matter, regular visits are paid to the Israel Foreign Ministry in the capital and courtesy calls on the President, on the score that it is customary to do this in whatever city the President happens to reside. It is futile that some members of the diplomatic corps should choose to put it about that they will not accept invitations to the Tenth Anniversary parade, so that the Israel Government has been forced into the disagreeable necessity of not issuing any. It may seem a small matter, but it can also be an indication of which countries are fair-weather friends only.

The Middle East Scene — *By Amnon Barzilai*

Genesis of a Pan-Arab Party

THE Pan-Arab Socialist Ba'ath (Resurgence) Party, with headquarters in Damascus and branches in three other Arab capitals, has played a decisive role in the Egypt-Syria merger. Its leaders, earnest nationalists who are probably the only Arab politicians who really believe in Arab unity, have been seeking to convert Colonel Nasser to their cause and take advantage of his vast popularity in achieving their own pan-Arab dream.

So far the two sides have effected a marriage of convenience that is at best precarious, and it is anybody's guess when and how Nasser will see fit to seek to curb the Ba'ath's rapidly-growing power. For the time being, however, the Ba'athists seem to have gained the upper hand in the Syrian region, and the history of this relatively young party is perhaps most indicative of the general trend of opinion among the new and rapidly growing class of educated, Westernized youth all over the Arab world.

The party's founders and leaders all belong to the new generation of Arabs, reared and brought up on the Western concepts of liberty, national self-determination and sovereignty; they borrowed the idea of Arab nationalism itself from Europe and its history, with glowing accounts of the unification of Germany and Italy and the national resurgence in Japan firing their imaginations and serving as models for future action.

Michel Aflek — whose father, he tells us, "always spoke to me with enthusiasm and conviction about Arabism" — was born in Damascus in 1910. Together with Salah ed-Din el-Bitar, now Minister of State of the United Arab Republic, Aflek went to Paris in the early 'thirties to study history at the Sorbonne.

Message in Schools

In Paris, Aflek and Bitar "never stopped repeating that the Arab Nation was now passing through a revolutionary phase in everything, and that this revolution must merge with Arab nationalism in order to achieve social justice" — as Aflek told a reporter of the Cairo weekly "Al-Musawwar" recently. Back in Damascus, the two scholars took up teaching in secondary schools: "We kept disseminating our message among the youth whom we taught and with whom we mixed until, in 1940, we founded the Arab Ba'ath Party with the slogan: 'One Arab Nation with an Eternal Message' — a slogan which first gained currency in our election leaflets in 1943."

At about the same time, Akram el Haurani was founding his own party — the Socialist Party. Aflek claims that only "a small group of young men" followed Haurani and, before the new faction had taken shape, Haurani discovered that the goals of the two parties were identical and finally applied for a merger. This was officially announced in 1952; the new entity, which called itself the Arab Socialist Ba'ath Party, announced that its goal was the revival of Arab nationalism on Socialist bases.

It was then, Aflek claims, that the term Arab Nationalism "acquired a positive meaning." Previously, there had been only a vague feeling, an undefined thought, "that there was an Arab nation and that it had had a glorious past, but no one gave a thought to the present and the future."

Own Brand of Socialism

The party professes its own brand of Socialism, that is, it is "free from any kind of Socialism imported from the outside." In their Sorbonne days, Aflek and Bitar studied the various Socialist systems diligently. "We found that we have many objections to Marxist theory and even more objections to its practice over the years in Russia. As to British Socialism, we found that it was false in its very roots," says Aflek.

What of the party's attitude to Communism and the Syrian Communist Party? Haurani is reported to have said, shortly before the conclusion of the Soviet aid agreement to Syria, that "our coming battle will be with Communism." True to his opportunist tactics, Haurani has since denied having made such a statement. But Aflek, who is a kind of spiritual leader of the party — he has never accepted a government post and refused even to stand for election to the House of Deputies — is more outspoken. Last October, when Syria's relations with the Soviet Union were at their happiest, he declared: "Fourteen years ago we discovered that the Soviet Union exploits Communism for its own nationalist ends." There were signs of a change in this attitude, Aflek added, as evidenced in the 20th Congress of the Soviet Communist Party; but quite apart from that, "Russia's interests at present coincide with those of the Middle Eastern peoples; that is why she backs our case."

Allies Derided

As to the Syrian Communist Party, Aflek thought that it had been active for 25 years without gaining any ground. This was because the party at various times took stands "which can be described only as treacherous from the viewpoint of Arab nationalism." Among its sins Aflek counts the fact that during World War II it advocated support for the Allies — "our subjugators." Moreover, the party's attitude to Israel was "negative": the Communists discredited Israel "only after she became a Western base." In 1947, the Syrian Communists supported the U.N. Partition Plan, and only a few years ago they called for a peaceful settlement with Israel. Aflek's last objection to the Syrian Communist Party is that in its various pamphlets "it used to advocate making a distinction between Judaism and Zionism"; his chief quarrel with it is that "it sacrifices the interests of the Arab nations for the sake of Russia's own interests."

The Ba'athists and U.A.R.

The Ba'ath Party has been called the party of the future. There is no doubt that, though they have taken the formal step of dissolving it, the party's leaders firmly believe in this. Their real intention is to make it ultimately the Arab party, providing a coherent ideology for a future all-Arab union and filling the "intellectual vacuum" which is said to have been created by Nasser's regime.

Whether Nasser, who is clearly more concerned about reaching the rich oil fields in Southern Arabia and Iraq than about Arab nationalist aspirations, will continue to tolerate the Ba'athists — and for how long — is something which the near future will reveal. It depends wholly on how long the accidental community of interest between the two sides lasts.

This is the second of two articles on the situation in Syria after the merger. The first appeared last Wednesday.

NEW TOWN IN THE SOUTH

By ASHER SHADMON

DEFIANTLY straddling the unruly Lachish river, a pre-stressed concrete bridge, one of the few of its kind in Israel, has just been reared on its arched piers and will soon connect the country with the future deep-water port of the south.

Right now Ashdod, situated 50 kilometres south of Tel Aviv, relies for all its communications on the country's longest bridge — a 42-and-a-half-metre bridge able to carry 16 tons and prominently displaying the emblem of the Army's Engineer Corps, who put it up when the Lachish floods destroyed the greater part of the rickety bridge on which Ashdod had had to rely. With a target population of 200,000, the Army structure was not enough. But at present it suffices for the needs of the budding town.

The stagnant pool of water in the river bed of the Lachish is a relic of the torrents which swept away the old bridge. On the new bridge squats a Marion 111 M crane with its 24 metre boom. It is also an excavator and was used on the Jordan Valley project. Photo by Shadmon.

The Government decided on the need for a deep-water port in the south only four years ago. This harbour will be an outlet for the mineral resources of the Negev and also relieve pressure at the northern ports during the citrus season, especially since Israel's citrus belt is expanding southward. The site of ancient Ashdod was chosen as the most suitable location and before long a *ma'abara* went up for immigrants from French North Africa, Egypt and Poland.

Now over 1,000 live here in neat white houses riding high between sand dunes shifting restlessly until they are tied down by the foundations. Brick-red painted buildings now going up add a colourful touch. The city centre will eventually cover an area of 700 dunams of the 40,000 dunams leased to the Ashdod Corporation which is to develop the area.

Dominating Ashdod is a huge square water tank offering visitors a magnificent view of a good part of the coastal plain. Vying with it as a landmark is Nabi Yunis, a squat stone building with a dazzlingly white-washed dome. Perched on a high hill, this alleged grave of the Prophet Jonah has guided fishermen and their little boats from times immemorial.

First Enterprises

The first enterprises have already come to Ashdod. The monumental power station with its two tall black chimneys is already starting its flow of electrical power through the intricate labyrinth of futuristic transformer stations outside its walls. Oil tankers ride on the waves outside the town at the Mediterranean terminus of the eight-inch pipeline which Ben-Gurion mentioned among the outstanding achievements of the Sinai Campaign. The Rogosin rayon plant, to be the largest in the Middle East, is coming into shape beneath its scaffold jacket. This $24m. project will provide work for 200 workers in the first stage and will also produce sulphuric acid and caustic soda.

Meantime plans are being pushed ahead to make Ashdod Port a reality. A French team of seven, under the guidance of Professor Jean Laurent and headed by Pierre Maillot of the French Central Hydrological Laboratories, is making a hydrographic survey to determine its precise location. Maillot has been doing this sort of work for the last 30 years, spent only three of them in France where his wife and three children live. Maillot has an immense capacity for work. His recreation is philosophy; he has plenty of books on the subject with him.

He and his colleagues live in a neatly converted flat building called the "Hotel Ashdod," and run by an Egyptian family. "They cook the food better than we ever had in France." Plans have been announced to build a proper hotel right on the beach with the help of French capital.

The planners are determined not to repeat the mistakes made during the growth of Tel Aviv, built on a similar location. Judging by their determination, Ashdod can look forward to a bright future.

U.S. Comittee Campaigns For Israel Baseball Diamond

By JESSE ZEL LURIE

NEW YORK. — A DINNER here on June 4 will mark the opening of a campaign by the U.S. Committee For Sports in Israel to raise funds for the construction of a regular-size baseball diamond in Israel.

The introduction of baseball into Israel is a pet project of U.S. Ambassador Edward B. Lawson. According to the Sports Committee spokesman, eight or nine softball teams competed last year for the Lawson cup. The formation of regular hardball teams, the spokesman said, would be under the direct sponsorship of Ambassador Lawson.

A regular baseball diamond with the necessary gloves, bats, balls and other equipment is a must before the Israel youth will be shouting "Batter up!" (or "Kill the umpire"). This is the task of the committee, which has succeeded in interesting in the project some of the biggest luminaries in the baseball world.

Guest of honour at June 4 dinner will be August A. Busch, Jr., non-Jewish owner of the Budweiser brewery and the St. Louis Cardinals. Walter O'Malley, owner of the Los Angeles (formerly Brooklyn) Dodgers, expects to be there. Mr. O'Malley has informed the committee that in years to come he "expects to find big-league material in Israel."

The committee expects to build the main Israel baseball diamond on the grounds of the Wingate Institute for Physical Education. It will be named in honour of Mr. Busch, who is making a significant contribution towards the cost.

Baseball nomenclature may be a problem in Hebrew and they ought to work on it before matters get out of hand. At Ramah, a chain of Hebrew-speaking summer camps in this country, the umpire calls a strike *hahta'a*, a miss. The translation is correct but the euphony is terrible. How can the umpire, or *shofet*, roll *hahta'a* off his tongue as he can "*str-r-r-r-rike three, you're out!*"

Nature Notes

Wild Bird Mimics

THE English papers, supplied though they are with plenty of human news these days, never fail to report animal stories. This winter several readers and nature experts sent in astounding tales about crows imitating the sirens on the newly introduced Diesel trains running from Norwich to Yarmouth, their two-tone calls so perfectly like the originals that the two cannot be distinguished. Starlings have long imitated bicycle bells and the cough of tractors. A local resident tells me she has heard the sunbird imitate the wagtail's call "tziah-tziah."

I have personally had two odd experiences of wild birds imitating the human voice to perfection of their own will, both in Europe. One was a blackbird in Schoenbrunn Park, Vienna, singing (whistling, rather, for he used no words) the first four bars of *"La donna è mobile,"* and the other was a crow. We were walking across a bridge over a brook in the Vienna woods, when from the willow thicket below rose an urgent cry, *"Voda, Voda"* which is Austrian for Daddy. It sounded like a child in dire distress and my husband crashed down the steep bank at once while I remained on the bridge to watch—and out flew a crow, settled on a branch a few yards off, and as if in mockery repeated the cry. It was uncanny to hear these accents of fear coming from the bird's beak. He must have heard them exactly like that, called forth by who knows what terror! P.A.

Yesterday's Press

Russia and the M.E.

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that if the Rumanian Prime Minister's call to compose differences in the Middle East is due to Soviet inspiration, we may take that to be part of Moscow's policy. And if that is true and the Soviets muster their high-power propaganda machine to get Israel and the Arabs to sit down together and hammer out an agreement, the endeavour may actually put the region on the road to peace. Israel will only welcome confirmation that Moscow favours such a turn.

Davar (Histadrut), on the other hand, sees no semblance of such a change in Soviet policy and asks by what moral standard Russia sends out a stream of lies and vituperation against the State of Israel by telling the Arabs in their own language that "Israel is preparing a series of border incidents with Syria on the Syrian border with the aid of the French and Shishakly." What sort of Israel reaction do they and their press expect? What confidence and respect can we repose in these disseminators of "truth" and incitement which continue unabated and the end of which is not even in sight?

Moscow is busily sprucing up for Nasser's visit, writes **Omez** (Histadrut), and there is no doubt that he will be greeted with acclaim. The Egyptian President will have to find a common language with the Soviet dictatorship, and as a result the hopes of a democratic revival which some of Nasser's allies and supporters have cherished will be crushed further.

Coupling Nasser's trip with the calls of the Prime Ministers of Burma and Rumania for direct Arab-Israel talks, **Haboker** (General Zionist) writes that Israel has always been ready to sit down with the Arabs. It stands to reason that we want peace and need it and we are ready to entertain anyone's terms and suggestions. We would also like to take Nasser's latest declaration about his submarines not being meant for aggressive use against Israel at face value, hoping that its purpose was to keep down tension and not to lull us with false hopes.

Ha'aretz (non-party), approving of the Government's decision that ministers should not head public institutions, points out that it should properly apply to economic bodies only and not to such organizations as the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, from whose directorship Mr. Rosen has been obliged to resign.

Herut restricts its general news coverage to two pages, the rest being devoted to the parade of the Herut movement's accomplishments in its March marking the Tenth Anniversary of the fall of Jaffa. It is left to **Kol Ha'am** (Communist) to denounce the movement as anti-labour, anti-Jewish and pro-fascist and to aver that "the March is leading the State to an abyss."

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes that work in the Hula must be resumed and carried out to completion.

Readers' Letters

DEFINITION OF A JEW

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—Allow me to correct a few errors regarding legal matters brought up in your leader of March 14, "When is A Jew Not A Jew."

Dr. Wahrhaftig's statement concerning the personal law of "Jews living in Israel who are not Israel citizens," which was challenged by you, presumably on the authority of the Palestine Order in Council, is based on the "Jurisdiction of Rabbinical Courts (Marriage and Divorce) Law —1953," which governs Jewish marriages and divorces in the State of Israel, and which applies expressly to citizens and residents alike.

It is stipulated in para. 1 of this law, that the exclusive jurisdiction of the Rabbinical Courts in matters pertaining to marriage and divorce extends to all Jews in Israel—"citizens and residents," and it is added in para. 2, that the marriage and divorce of Jews in Israel shall be performed according to *Din Tora*, e.g., the *halacha*.

It follows, therefore, that this law changed the Palestine Order in Council, quoted by your leader, with regard to Jews who are not citizens of Israel.

It is clear that according to the provisions of the above-mentioned law, the question of who is a Jew, with regard to marriage and divorce, can only be decided on by the Rabbinical Courts — according to the *halacha*.

Your statement that in order to prove one's Jewish origin one must produce proof that the marriage of the parents "was properly solemnized" is completely erroneous. The only proof required is that the mother is Jewish.

In conclusion may I say that the assertions applied to the Ministry of Religious Affairs, such as: "the Ministry will not permit:" "there is no reason why that Ministry should be permitted to set itself up as a religious arbiter," and the like, are based on a false conception of the legal state of affairs.

Any law, and amongst them the above-mentioned Law of Marriage and Divorce, passed by the Knesset, are binding both on all Ministries and on all citizens and residents, and all branches of the Government must act accordingly.

Yours, etc.
Y. ETZION
Assistant Legal Adviser and Press Officer,
Ministry of Religious Affairs
Jerusalem, March 24.

We regret that by error the statement referred to by Mr. Etzion omitted the words "and residents" after "Israel citizens."

We should like to point out that any Jewish citizen or resident of Israel who wishes to marry or divorce must, according to law, do so in accordance with halacha. However, our editorial referred to the case of Jews who were already married when they arrived in Israel and had therefore already acquired marital status before becoming either citizens or residents of Israel.

In addition, the Courts have held, on various occasions, that the fact that a Jew of foreign nationality lives in Israel is not conclusive proof that he is resident in Israel, and therefore there may be many cases in which Jews "living" in Israel do not come under the jurisdiction of the Rabbinical Courts insofar as marriage and divorce are concerned. ED.

ANIMAL SHELTER

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your article "Bibi Couldn't Care Less" (your issue of March 7), recounting the story of a terrier which was lost and then found by its owners in the hands of other people, has given me a welcome opportunity again to bring to the attention of the Haifa public and Municipality as well as to everyone else, and especially the Government and all municipal authorities, the urgent necessity of a local "Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals" and of a shelter for domestic animals.

For the last few years, three women in Haifa have worked quietly, with the active support of some of the Haifa Veterinary Surgeons, a Police Officer and a number of animal friends who provided the means, to maintain an animal shelter.

It is regrettable that the Authorities, who should be most interested in such a shelter functioning properly, did not give it active support. On the contrary, some officials even tried to cause difficulties, make the life of the ladies miserable and the functioning of the shelter impossible. So, too, an old building which was made temporarily available as a shelter must now be evacuated, without a substitute being made available, thus throwing the animals into the street.

The Animal Shelter shelters homeless animals, mainly dogs, which cannot be kept by their owners for various reasons. The shelter also endeavours to find new homes for such animals. Sick animals and animals for which no such chance exists are destroyed humanely.

When someone wishes to take home such an animal, he is requested to contribute to the shelter. Such contributions help to cover the expenses of keeping the animals and of running the shelter.

I wish to stress that dogs are not "sold." Any information to the contrary is wrong and misleading. The Police are kept informed of any dog found and delivered to the shelter. Such dogs are kept for at least 10 days, at the disposal of their owners, as required by the Law.

Municipalities and other authorities should be interested in these shelters, as the public, mostly the children, is preserved from the sad picture of uncared for dogs and other animals, and from seeing the cruel destruction of such animals in public.

Instead of passively tolerating an S.P.C.A. and a shelter, the Authorities should encourage the formation and functioning of the S.P.C.A.s and shelters and support them, or, at least, not directly or indirectly obstruct the functioning of such institutions.

I apply to all friends of animals to place themselves at the disposal of this good cause and to make possible a country-wide Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Yours, etc.
HANNA LEVI
March 11, 1968.

RUMANIAN FAMILIES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Rumanian families are being re-united in Israel at the rate of a few every week, and even less than that, but the measure of publicity and promises concerning "the approaching reunion" and the "approaching *aliya* from Rumania," etc. already exceeds the measure of the immigration itself. During the past two years, in which the reunion of families from Rumania has been permitted only little by little, the Israel press has given it wide publicity in various forms, every few months, and world Jewish news agencies always spread such news throughout the world.

The recent declarations of the Rumanian Minister in Israel, at a reception held in his honour by the World Jewish Congress, and the articles and comment which appeared in the press subsequently are nothing but another link in the chain of public announcements which are directed towards one aim only: to disarm us in our struggle and to lull the unfortunate parents with deceitful promises. This is repeated every few months.

Whenever we try to make an additional effort to recruit world public opinion to support us in our struggle — and recently some letters were published in "The New York Times" in this spirit — suddenly, somehow, a strange and mysteriously inspired sensational announcement appears in the press, and a meaningful promise is uttered by an authorized personality. Everybody is happy and satisfied except the parents, whom the government of the R.P.R. does not allow out.

We, the Rumanian Parents Committee for Reuniting Families, are forced to state with deep sorrow that so far these repeated promises have turned out to be nothing but a tragic playing with human suffering. And our press and telegraphic agencies use these communiques as a matter of routine, thus giving misleading publicity — which only serves the public relations of a State which treats heartlessly the unbearable tragedy of thousands of human beings.

Yours, etc.
IDOV COHEN
Chairman, the Rumanian Parents Committee
For Reuniting Families
Tel Aviv, March 30.

MUSICAL DIARY

Festival of Nahum Nardi's compositions (Y.M.C.A., Jerusalem, April 7).

THERE was nothing festive about this concert, and there seemed to be no reason to hold it in the first place. As a popular event, complete with dedication to the Tenth Anniversary of our State and our Defence Forces, it was too ambitious in its arrangements, and as a concert to be taken seriously it lacked an artistic standard and responsibility. The array of solo singers who took part were in all probability on a stage for the first time in their life, and to judge from their technical training, prematurely at that. Nardi's improvisations displayed pianistic qualities of no mean order but have their proper place in an intimate bar rather than in a concert hall. It is a great pity that no one advised the composer against this undertaking. He has given our people some very beautiful tunes, sung and danced by our youth and beloved by all, but he is unable to give an evening's programme which can satisfy even a modest audience. *Y. BOEHM*

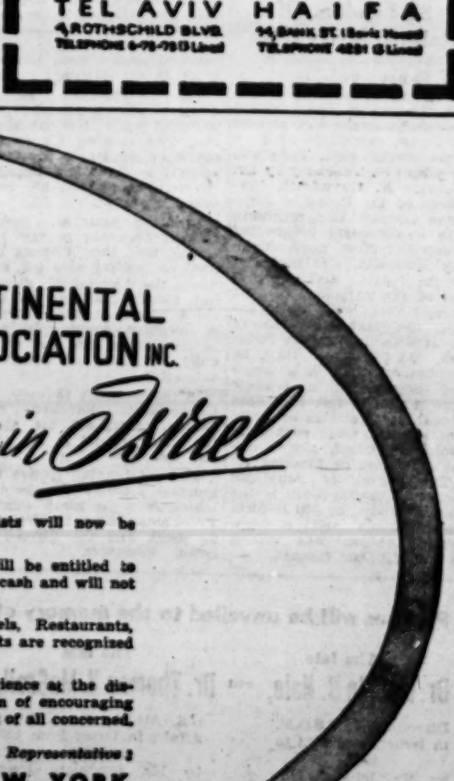
Israel Musicians Abroad

GIDEON Roshr, Kol Yisrael's former First Viola, had a most complimentary success in his interpretation of Hindemith's Solo Sonata at the "Intim Musik" Series of Chamber Music in Stockholm last month. All reviews speak in the highest terms of Roehr's technique, tone and interpretation. Roehr intends to return to Jerusalem at the beginning of the coming season and his presence will be a tremendous boost to its musical life.

THEODORE Mamlock, the former leader of the Haifa Orchestra, is playing at present with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. He was discovered by Yehudi Menuhin several years ago, who was instrumental in bringing him to the States. One review describes a recent recital in which he played Milhaud, Bloch, Achron, Kaminsky, Ben-Haim, Lavry, Bruch and Engel as "outstanding." *Y.B.*

10th Anniversary Concert

At its annual Provident Fund Concert under the patronage of the Governor of Victoria at the Melbourne Town Hall on April 9, the Victoria Symphony Orchestra under Kurt Woess will honour Israel's Tenth Anniversary with a programme of works by Sheriff, Bloch, Ben-Haim and Kaminsky. All the Israel works will be getting their first performance in Australia.



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